IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

MONDAY, THE THIRTY FIRST DAY OF JANUARY
TWO THOUSAND AND FIVE

PRESENT

HON'BLE SRI DEVINDER GUPTA, THE CHIEF JUSTICE

and
HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE M.NARAYANA REDDY

Taken up WRIT PETITION NO.10052 of 2002

Between:

Ch.V.Subba Rao Chief Executive,
Rural Entitlement and Legal Support Central (REALS)
21-2-10, Janda St-1,
Mutyalanipadu, Vijayawada, Krishna District.

..... PETITIONER

AND

1 The District Panchayat Officer, Krishna District at

Machilipatnam
2 The District Collector, Krishna District at Machilipatnam
3 The Chief Executive Officer,
Zilla Parishad Krishna District at Machilipatnam
4 The Secretary to Govt. of A.P. Municipal Administration Dept.,
Secretariat, Hyderabad.

.....RESPONDENTS

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the Affidavit filed herein the High Court will be pleased to

issue an order, direction, or a writ, more particularly one in the nature of writ of mandamus calling for the remarks and records from the respondents, herein, in and connected to:- i) Not providing drinking water to the villagers of Nakkalampadu village, Kanchikacherla Mandal, Krishna District who solely depend on ground water from borewells which is highly saline and tasteless due to which the villagers are affected with joint, back and other body pains, ii) Non supply of water to the villagers of Chetrai Mandal even though an overhead tank was constructed about two years back resulted in the local people continue to draw water from underground pits or handsets which draw out salty water, and to direct the concerned authorities to take steps to supply drinking water to the villagers of Nakkalampadu villagers of Kanchikacherla Mandal and to the villagers of Chatarai Mandal in Krishna District.

Counsel for the Petitioner : Taken Up Writ Petition

Counsel for the Respondents : G.P. FOR PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEV.

The Court made the following :

ORAL ORDER: (Per Hon'ble the Chief Justice)

This is a taken up writ petition making grievance that there is non-supply of drinking water to the villagers of Nakkalampadu, Kanchikacherla Mandal, Krishna district. D.Satyanarayana, District Panchayat Officer, Krishna district, has filed counter-affidavit stating that the villagers of Nakkalampeta, Hamlet of Paritala Gram Panchayat in Kanchikacherla Mandal in Krishna District, have been provided with chlorinated drinking water from the pipeline provided from Krishna River at Battinapadu, which goes through Paritala Gram Panchayat and Nakkalampeta with an estimated cost of Rs.7.5 lakhs. The laying of said pipeline was completed in the month of March, 2004 and the protected water is being supplied to the residents of Nakkalampeta village from the month of April, 2004 by arranging 12 public taps at 6 centres in Nekkalampeta village. The water is being supplied daily under the supervision of Engineering Officials of Rural Water Supply and hence, the villagers

are not depending upon ground water as contended by the petitioner.

In view of the said averments in the counter-affidavit, no further direction deserves to be issued in this petition. Writ Petition stands disposed of.

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DEVINDER GUPTA, C.J.

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M.NARAYANA REDDY, J

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